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## WILL YOU JOIN THE TIMES TREE PROTECTION LEAGUE?

### FOUR VETERANS DROPPED

They Were Dismissed With Others From the Navy Yard.

### THEIR SCARS NOT HEADED

Other Bricklayers Retained in Spite of the Law Giving Preference to Old Soldiers—Lieutenant Loutze's Statement Regarding His Action. Did Not Know They Were Veterans.

No small amount of dissatisfaction among the veteran hosts of the city has been caused by the discharge of four veteran bricklayers, employed at the Navy Yard. The men were discharged on last Saturday because there was no work for them.

A new yard engine-house is being erected near the casting shop, and up to last Saturday thirteen men had been employed upon it. At that time the work was so far developed that more than seven men could not advantageously work, it was claimed. Of the six laid off, four were veterans of the late war.

They were Benjamin Oliphant, George Daugherty, Mr. Smith and John Williams. The other two discharged bricklayers were Edward Cox and Simon Henning.

All of these men had been employed in bricklaying and masonry work about the yard for from six to eight weeks prior to the beginning of the engine house.

### WERE OLD EMPLOYEES.

They had constructed the retaining wall on the west side of the yard until stopped by the slow work of the layers of the sixth street pier. Then they did "patch" work around various buildings at the navy yard.

All of the men, including the seven who are yet retained, are skilled workmen, and all belong to the Bricklayers' Union.

The hardship shown by the friends of the four discharged veterans lies in the fact that ex-soldiers are supposed to be given preference over the other laborers.

One of the clauses in the ordinance book of rules reads as follows:

"The order of certification for all applicants for labor:

"First, veterans.

"Second, those not veterans who have been previously employed and have given satisfaction.

"Third, all others on the register."

In view of this order, the discharged veterans claim that they have been unjustly discriminated against. They hold that they had been employed at the yard and did their work fairly and well, and they feel to see why non-veterans should be permitted to come in at a late date and take their places.

### LIEUT. LEUTZE'S STORY.

When Lieut. E. H. C. Leutze, acting commandant of the yard, was seen by a Times reporter this afternoon he admitted that a discharge of six men had been made for the reasons stated above, and said he was now aware that four of them were veterans, but intimated that he had known it before he would have followed the same plan.

"There was not enough work for the thirteen men on the engine house and we had to let six go," he said. "I know nothing about the politics or creeds of the workmen and that did not enter into the matter."

"The men discharged had been working between six and eight weeks. The others had just come on lately. All were practically old men in the employ of the Navy Yard at one time and another for some years past. I took the course I did to equalize matters and divide the work out as well as I could."

### USUALLY GIVEN PREFERENCE.

"There may be veterans among the workmen now. I do not know. It is true they are given preference in employment, but that is as applicants, understood. The last ten men were employed for work and were needed, if there were half a dozen competent veterans, they would receive the contract."

"The building will doubtless be done this week. When new men are employed again the veterans will of course be employed first. It is hard to place all sides, but I have violated no ordinance."

There is some talk among the discharged veterans of laying their grievances before the Secretary of the Navy.

### Admiral Walker in Danger.

Greenburg, Pa., Aug. 13.—Rear Admiral Walker, of the United States Navy, and party, whose special car was attached to the Atlantic express on the Pennsylvania Railroad, came within an ace of having a bad accident at Derby, caused by the breaking of an axle. Had it not been that it was the axle of the car, the last coach the accident might have been serious. As it was the party was considerably shaken up, but not hurt. The car was repaired and forwarded on the day express.

### Fourteenth Body Recovered.

New York, Aug. 13.—The search for bodies in the South Fifth avenue ruins is nearly completed. To-morrow is expected to end it. The fourteenth body recovered from the ruins was taken out to-day. This makes the list of dead fifteen, one having died in the hospital. Only one more workman is reported missing, and his body is expected to be recovered during the day. The body taken out this morning was identified as that of Peter Moreno, an Italian laborer, 45 years old, of 412 East One-hundred and Twelfth street.

**FURTHER details concerning several of the local and telegraphic news features in this issue of The Evening Times will be found in tomorrow's Morning Times.**

### BAD FOR THE CHAMPION.

Stakeholder Dwyer and Friends of Corbett Criticize "Gentleman" Jim.

New York, Aug. 13.—A special from Saratoga, N. Y., says: Phil Dwyer, who is stakeholder for the fight between Champion Jim Corbett and Bob Fitzsimmons, in speaking of the row between the two pugilists in Green's Hotel, Philadelphia, Saturday night, said:

"I did not think Corbett would act in that way. I have repeatedly warned him against losing his temper, but he evidently has not yet learned how to control himself. He had better learn how to keep a cool head before he gets into the ring with Fitzsimmons or Bob is very likely to tan him to such a degree that he will lose his head, as he did with Mitchell, and if he does—well, he will know that he hasn't got a Mitchell in front of him then. It was an affair to be deplored, and it is fortunate it was stopped before something more serious happened."

Ed. Kearney, who is one of Corbett's backers in his fight with Fitzsimmons, said he scarcely knew what to make of Corbett's acts. He said he thought the champion had more sense than to engage in a fight of this character, and further expressed himself that he was afraid the altercation would have a detrimental effect on the sport.

### KINSEY ASKS FOR FLOORING

He Urges the Matter Before the Post-office Contractors.

Architect Aiken Decides That It Is Not in His Power to Provide the Safeguard.

The unfortunate death of Charles Beach has had its effect, and the question of providing sufficient protection and security for the laborers employed on the new City Postoffice building will be brought to a head.

Superintendent of Construction Kinsey today wrote a strong letter to Thorp & Bond, New York, the contractors for the iron work on the new building, demanding that they immediately provide temporary flooring or some other sufficient security.

The letter was written at the earnest solicitation of the men employed on the building, who thought that the time had at last arrived when some provision should be taken for their safety. Mr. Kinsey, in conversation with a Times reporter, said that he had submitted the matter to Supervising Architect of the Treasury Aiken, who said that the matter of temporary flooring was not one of Governmental supervision, and that he was powerless to act in the premises, holding that it was the duty of the contractors of the building to provide for the safety of the men, employed, as required by the plans and specifications, and, while he personally was in favor of such a precaution, his hands were tied as far as authorizing it to be made.

The superintendent of construction has no doubt that the contractors will heartily accede to the men's wishes in this matter, inasmuch as it will greatly facilitate the work by relieving the men of the sense of fear which now prevails among them while at work.

### FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS UP.

Match Between a British and a New York Schooner.

London, Aug. 13.—A match has been arranged between Mr. Frederick Willis' schooner Amphitrite and the American schooner Yampa, owned by Mr. R. S. Palmer, of New York, for one hundred sovereigns. The agreement for the race provides that each boat may carry as large a crew as she pleases. The race will be over the course of the Royal Yacht Squadron, the course sailed August 7 last, when the Yampa defeated the Amphitrite, and won the cup for schooners offered by Lord Liverpool. The owner of the Amphitrite subsequently was awarded the cup by the sailing committee of the Royal Yacht Squadron on his protest that the Yampa had not fulfilled the conditions of the race, which provided that the yachts should sail in cruising trim, while the Yampa had on board during the race more men than she carries when cruising. Mr. Palmer took his defeat on a technicality in a sportsmanlike manner, but feeling confident that his yacht was better than the Yampa, he will to another contest, and Mr. Willis has accepted.

### Brazilian Commercial Treaty.

New York, Aug. 13.—The Herald's special cable from Buenos Ayres says:

The Argentine government has decided that Minister Thompson is reported to be arranging a basis for a commercial treaty between the United States and Brazil. The terms of peace offered to the state of Rio Grande do Sul have been published. They guarantee the lives and rights of all those engaged in the revolution, the right of appeal to the courts of those who have suffered through the acts of provincial troops, and a free pardon to all participants who lay down their arms.

It is reported here that a British firm of shipbuilders intends to secure the cruiser Buenos Ayres, owing to the failure of the government to comply with the terms of a contract to build an armored cruiser.

### Turners in Annual Session.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 13.—Thirty-five of the leading Turnverein societies, located in the various cities of this country, are represented here at the fourteenth annual convention of the physical directors in the Societal Turnverein. Dr. Carl Zapp, of Cleveland, president of the national organization, opened the meeting yesterday and made an address on the advancement of the United States Turnverein in the past year. Henry Buder, of Chicago, spoke on the tournaments in Breslau and Lugano. Carl Krok, of Chicago, professor of gymnastics in the Cook County Normal School, will conduct debates. The convention will close to-morrow night with a ball at the local society's hall.

### Canadian Reciprocity.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 13.—The Dominion government having been notified that salmon is admitted free into the United States, an order has been passed abolishing the duty of one-half cent per pound on salmon coming into Canada.

You can find all the news in the Morning Times.

### SUMMER PORTRAITS.



His Excellency Levi P. Morton.

### SILVERITES ARE TARDY

Not a Half Dozen Yet on Hand for the Conference.

### SIGNS OF A BIG FIZZLE

Senator Harris Seems to Be the Only One on Hand and the Indications Are He Will Not Have Many Colleagues—Effects of the Conference.

The meeting of free silver Democrats advertised to convene to-morrow at the Metropolitan Hotel in this city now gives every indication of proving a dismal failure. It is something like the funeral for which the hearse and carriages were engaged, but the remains and mourners were not in evidence.

Up to 1 o'clock this afternoon but two prospective participants had arrived in Washington. These were Senator Harris and Representative Cox, of Tennessee. Senators Turpie, of Indiana, and Jones, of Arkansas, who associated themselves with Senator Harris in extending invitations to the business conference of silver Democrats, have neither reached the city nor notified the Senate postoffice to make any other disposition of their mail than to forward it in the one instance to Indianapolis and in the other to Washington, Ark.

### JARVIS IN HIDING.

Ex-Senator Jarvis, of North Carolina, who has been reported as stopping at the Metropolitan, is not at that hotel, and a search with a dark lantern fails to discover his hiding place. Those in a position to be informed as to his whereabouts declare that he is quietly resting at his Greenfield home.

The declaration of Senator Harris that thirty States would be represented here to-morrow, begins to appear like anti-election predictions made during the campaign of last November; but the Senator has all along asserted that quality, and not quantity, was desired.

He said that in issuing the invitations he expressly requested that a few prominent men from each State—men of weight and influence in the Democratic party and acceptable to the fellow Democrats as probable members of an executive committee—should come. The assembly, therefore, will not be in the nature of a convention, but a business conference of Democrats.

As a matter of fact it appears that while the quality of those present may be of the highest grade, the members will not amount to much from an arithmetic point of view.

It is said that many delegates will arrive on the incoming trains to-night and to-morrow morning, but there seems to be no guarantee that such will be the case. Senator Morgan will not be present. There are no signs that ex-Congressman Bryan, Shibley, Johnson or any of the bright and shining lights of free-silverism, as expounded by the Democrats, have the slightest intention of attending the conference.

### NOT EVEN STEWART.

The Republicans, of course, must keep their hands off and view the proceedings as one boy watches another cat pounce. But even in the event of the most calamitous fiasco, when reduced to the direct straits of exigency, Senator Stewart, with his unlimited resources and tireless energy, could be utilized as a temporary expedient. He is confined to his house by a dislocated knee-cap.

It is a remote, but not altogether impracticable, possibility that at the eleventh hour and fifty-ninth minute the cohorts of free silver may op down upon the Metropolitan like a snow bird on a crumb of warm bread and fill to overflowing the parlors reserved for their conference.

The hotel clerks have not abandoned

### COL. WILSON'S NEW DUTY

He Becomes Division Engineer of the Northeast.

### HIS STATION IN NEW YORK

By the retirement of Col. Abbott the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds will be relieved. Goals as to His Probable Successor in That Office.

By the retirement of Col. Abbott, of the Engineer Corps, of the Army, Col. J. M. Wilson, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, becomes division engineer of the Northeast division, and will be stationed at New York.

Col. Wilson was superintendent of public buildings and grounds under President Cleveland's first administration, and under President Harrison was superintendent of the Military Academy at West Point.

He is very popular in Washington and his departure will be the occasion for much regret.

### HIS PROBABLE SUCCESSOR.

There is already much speculation as to who will be selected as Col. Wilson's successor. For the present, however, he will remain in this city and perform the duties of his office until a choice shall have been announced.

The retirement of Col. Abbott, who to-day becomes sixty-four years old, also promotes Col. P. C. Haines, division engineer of the southeastern division, to be colonel; Maj. William Ludlow, of Newarquan, Canal Commission and military attaché to the United States embassy at London, to be lieutenant colonel; Capt. J. H. Willard, in charge of the improvement of the harbor at Vicksburg, Miss., and other works in that section, to be major; and Lieut. J. C. Sanford, secretary and disbursing officer of the Missouri River Commission, to be captain.

His retirement changes the details and duties of the following officers:

### COL. ROBERTS PROMOTED.

Col. H. M. Roberts, division engineer of southwest division, becomes president of the board of engineers, and Col. Haines becomes a member of the board of ordinance and fortifications.

Col. Abbott was born in Massachusetts, from which State he entered the Military Academy in 1860.

During the war, from 1863 to 1865, he was in the volunteer service, being mustered out in the latter year with the brevet rank of major general. He was brevetted for gallant and meritorious services at Bull Run, Yorktown, Petersburg, especially in the lines before Petersburg.

Col. Abbott for a number of years has held the important position of division engineer of the Northeast division, which includes the New England States, New York and a portion of Pennsylvania, and the country bordering on Lakes Erie and Ontario.

### Possible Filibuster.

New York, Aug. 13.—A special cable dispatch from the Herald from Fort Au Prince, Hayti, says:

A mysterious steamer was observed off Daiguri, Cuba, August 8. She was sailing under American colors, but her movements were regarded as suspicious. It is supposed, for she was cannonaded by a Spanish torpedo gun boat, the Galilea.

The mysterious vessel escaped without the slightest injury.

### One More Unfortunate.

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 13.—Max L. Gutman, a prominent Democratic politician and retired jewelry manufacturer, attempted to commit suicide by shooting yesterday afternoon, after he had vainly endeavored to kill his four daughters. He was in a hospital in an unconscious condition, and his death is hourly expected.

### CHARLES AND ROSE HAMMOND

Held for the Grand Jury.

### RESULT OF AN INQUEST

Witnesses Testified That Little Campbell Hall Was Brutally Beaten and Starved by His Step-Brother. Bruises and Scars With Evidence of Their Inhuman Treatment.

An inquest was held to-day at the Sixth precinct station house over the death of little Campbell Hall, which, as stated in yesterday's Evening Times, occurred under circumstances which attracted suspicion to his step-brother, a negro named Hammond.

The inquest was conducted by Dr. Glazebrook, the deputy coroner, in the absence of Dr. Hammond, who is out of the city.

Both Hammond and his wife were present, and listened intently to the evidence of the witnesses as the examination proceeded.

The first witness called was Mrs. Alice Simmons, who lives at No. 715 Third street northwest, just back of the Hammonds, who testified that she had repeatedly seen the boy in the back yard of the house where he lived, and frequently heard Hammond and his wife beating him, hearing the blows quite distinctly.

On one occasion about three weeks ago, she heard the cries of the boy and going to her back window, which commanded a view of the Hammond house, she distinctly saw through an open window the boy naked, in one of the second-story rooms of the house, and Hammond, the boy's step-brother, standing over him severely beating him with a rawhide.

The beating on this occasion lasted, she testified, about ten or fifteen minutes, and was so severe that she called to his persecutors to desist, stating that if they did not she would report the matter to the police.

### REPORTED TO THE POLICE.

About two days after this occasion she heard the boy's mother again chastising him, and the child's cries were so agonizing on this occasion that she reported the matter to the police. She afterward heard that the boy was whipped because he had taken a sweet potato.

She saw the boy and found that he was terribly bruised, and bore marks showing which were kept in the Hammond's back yard, the little boy had eagerly taken it off the ground before the chickens could get it and eat it.

She told of the boy's running away from home and capture, and said that when he was brought into the house that Hammond and his wife tied him by the hands with a rope and dragged him upstairs, where he was stripped and beaten with a rawhide. She could distinctly hear the licks on his naked flesh. The boy afterward told her that he ran away because he could not get anything to eat, and that every time he would bring anything to eat into the house his mother would beat him.

Robert Cook, superintendent of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, of New York, testified that last June a policy was taken on Canham Hall's life for \$60, made payable to the Hammond woman, and the premium of 5 cents a week was paid by her.

Lena Washington, who lives in Ball's court, just across the street from the house in which the Hall boy died, heard plainly the blows which were administered to him, and when the boy was brought back after running away saw Hammond strike him with his fist and knock him down.

### TALKED OF HIS FUNERAL.

Mary Claire, No. 722 Ball's court, testified that Canham was kept housed up and not allowed to go out and play with the other children; that his mother had told her that she had had his life insured, but that she did not intend to take the insurance money to bury him, but would make the society to which he belonged do that.

Willie Jackson, a colored boy about fifteen years of age, testified that he had lived with the Hammonds for over a year and had always been treated well by them; furthermore that he had never seen the Hammonds whip the dead boy. The witnesses' statements were very conflicting, however, and it was told to step aside.

Dr. Sterling Ruffin, who, acting as deputy coroner by Dr. Glazebrook's request, stated that he had performed the autopsy on the boy last night, and that he found as a result of the examination that his condition was poor. There was an apparent lack of fat and the most striking feature of the autopsy was the extreme emaciation of the alimentary canal.

### SIFTING THE OUTRAGE

This Government to Be Represented at the Investigation.

### A CONSUL ON THE BOARD

Minister Denby Will Conduct a Special Inquiry Regarding Miss Garfield's Injuries—Minister Terrell Looking Into the Tarras Affair. Complained to the Porte.

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Whether or no the investigation will be conducted by a mixed commission of British and Americans cannot now be stated, but it is understood here that Mr. Denby will have a separate inquiry made to determine the extent of injuries to the persons and property of American citizens.

Miss Harford, of Dover, N. H., was the only American injured at Kuecheng, and she was not seriously hurt, but as the attack was so obviously directed against American and English alike, this government will probably join Great Britain in demanding certain reforms to prevent a repetition of the outrages.

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Even before the news was generally known in Constantinople, the minister had, according to his telegram to the State Department, made complaint to the Porte and dispatched Mr. Gibson on his mission. In view of the action of the minister in not making a report on the matter until he had been telegraphed by the State Department, it is believed here that the incident was not of serious character.

Death of a Well-Known Lady.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Wood will take place from her late residence, No. 617 H street northeast, to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Mrs. Wood died suddenly yesterday morning, and leaves a husband and eight children.

### Good Times Corner.

Flemington, Pa., Aug. 13.—The Doves Rolling Mills resumed operations yesterday, after a shut-down of two months. A large number of orders have been received, and it is said, wages will be advanced 10 per cent.

### DRUNKENNESS AND ABUSE

### Charges Preferred Against Patrolmen Johnson and Nauok.

Trial Board Will Finish the Arrests Made at the Third Baptist Church.

Charges were preferred to-day by Inspector Pearson against Patrolmen Johnson and Nauok, of the Eighth precinct, for alleged intoxication and abuse of prisoners.

The charges are the outcome of several arrests made during some disorder at the Third Baptist Church, corner Fifth and P streets northwest, which occurred about 11 o'clock last night, as told in to-day's Morning Times.

Herbert and Belle Adams, two of the prisoners, were brought in court to-day and the charges against them dismissed, while Warren and Thornton, who were arrested by Johnson, were dismissed at the station house last night.

Pearson, as Dr. Connor told him that he did not think the policemen capable at the time of making an arrest.

Johnson was suspended from duty last night, and it is thought that the charges preferred against him will result in his dismissal from the force.

Nauok, however, had been on the sick list for fifteen days previous to last night, and Dr. Connor, who examined him, could not detect any signs of intoxication. It is likely that he will not be so severely dealt with.

### Removed Abduction of the Caesar.

London, Aug. 13.—To-morrow the Chronicle will print an Odessa dispatch maintaining the persistent circulation of rumors of the withdrawal of Caesar Nicholas II from the active guidance of the affairs of the empire and the gradual assumption of power by the ex-Czarina, aided by M. Durnovo, minister of the Interior, and M. Pobedonostzeff, procurator general of the Holy Synod. The change of attitude, the dispatch says, is increasing the power of the anti-German party.

### Massacre Commission on Route.

London, Aug. 13.—The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon publishes a dispatch from Shanghai stating that the commission appointed to inquire into the massacre of Christians will leave Foo Chow this afternoon for Kuecheng. The commission is composed of the British and American consuls at Foo Chow and several missionaries. It will be escorted by a strong guard of native soldiers.

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